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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

HORNAUER et al.

Group Art Unit: 1641

Application No.: 09/184,043

Examiner: M. Ceperley

Filed: November 2, 1998

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For: POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL-DERIVATIZED BIOMOLECULES AND THEIR USE
IN HETEROGENEOUS DETECTION METHODS

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 13, 2002

Sir:

Further to Applicants' October 31 Preliminary Amendment and in further
response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2002 for the above-identified application,
please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 64-77 as follows:

--64. The method of claim 14, wherein the solid phase is immobilized by direct
adsorptive binding or by covalent coupling or by coupling via high affinity binding pairs.--

--65. The method of claim 14, wherein the solid phase is immobilized by
coupling via high affinity binding pairs.--

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